

DRAFT 2017 AC WORK PLAN

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ACX= Advisory Council Executive Committee							
Advisory Council Administration and Operation							
IPC-AC Annual Meeting 2017		TBD	Promote communication and collaboration, as appropriate, on topics of mutual interest to AC and IPC including Habitat Framework initiative; identify topics to include in AC 2017 work plan	1) Agreement/Outcome of 2017 joint meeting on proposed actions 2) Executive Committee to work with IPC representatives to outline format for AC/IPC annual meeting	1) Hold joint AC/IPC annual meeting; incorporate any agreed upon actions into work plan 2) With concurrence of IPC, conduct work groups/ collaborate on agreed actions.	ACX and IPC representatives; Sanctuary Superintendent	
National AC Chairs Summit		summer/fall 2017	Shared awareness of different AC initiatives and activities across national marine sanctuary system; AC Chairs provide input on national or regional issues and initiatives	AC Chair briefed on national meeting agenda and topics and reports back to OCNMS staff and AC	AC position on key topics for national meeting such as climate change and constituent engagement; AC to take action on meeting, as appropriate	AC Chair; possibly AC Coordinator	
Annual Work Plan Development	COM1	Present Draft AC 2017 Work Plan at January 2017 SAC mtg and adopt as working document	Prioritize work of AC to focus on highest priority issues and maximize effectiveness of advice to Sanctuary Superintendent; finalize 2016 annual AC work plan and develop draft 2017 WP	OCNMS staff provide briefing on anticipated priorities for Annual Operating Plan at November 2016 meeting; work with ACX on discussion draft	AC Work Plan developed for AC review and input in January 2017 for adoption	ACX; AC Coordinator	
Charter Renewal		Jan-17	Update Sanctuary Advisory Council Charter with recommendations from Charter Renewal Subcommittee for the next five years	Charter Renewal Subcommittee formed in July to review and propose updates to SAC Charter and held first meeting in August 2016; Subcommittee presented recommendations and report at Sept SAC mtg and incorporated discussion into revised version at Nov SAC mtg where council decided to hold off final vote until the strike-out version of 2016 Charter was shared with all council members	Council votes to approve and adopt SAC Charter for the next five years.	ACX with AC Coordinator; Charter Renewal Subcommittee	

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New Member Recruitment	COM1	Recruitment for Tourism/Economic Development, Marine Industry and Conservation in fall/winter 2017; any others as needed (upon vacancies)	Recruit engaged and active AC representatives	Notification of open seats in quarterly periods in 2017; 3 seats expire 12/31/17	1) Identify and share announcement to potential candidates. 2) Executive Committee reviews candidates and makes recommendations to Superintendent	ACX; AC Coordinator	

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Emerging Topics							
A. Collaborative and Coordinated Management							
Sanctuary Outreach for AC members	COM1	TBD	Increased support and awareness of OCNMS and its AC among AC members at national/international level; improved AC member and constituent participation at AC meetings and public reach to networks, including for Get Into Your Sanctuary day; OCNMS gains better understanding of what AC members are doing to promote sanctuary	AC members surveyed on what tools they need to help them promote OCNMS to constituents; AC discussion on desired goals and activities; education/training to AC as requested; AC Coordinator to e-distribute bi-monthly Office Report and email recap after each meeting; OCNMS plans for Get Into Your Sanctuary shared with AC in advance, with supporting documents for distribution	Possible actions: 1) AC members more effective in their constituent outreach of OCNMS 2) AC members announce AC meetings and outcomes on distribution lists or websites 3) AC members identify and report on a constituent outreach effort for FY17 on voluntary basis and involve AC with Get Into Your Sanctuary promotion efforts 4) Active participation by primary and/or alternate member in AC meetings and working groups 5) Recommendations/letters to programs or targeted strategic entities and others	AC Chair/ ACX; AC Coordinator	
Management Plan Implementation	OPS10	Ongoing with end-of-year briefing to AC at November 2017 meeting	Provide advice on OCNMS 2018 MP priorities	2017 MP Implementation Report and 2018 MP Implementation Priorities document	OCNMS presents FY2018 MP implementation priorities at Nov. 2017 meeting and facilitates a discussion on 2018 priorities, with a focus on what the AC considers to be the most important in light of budget	OCNMS Staff	

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Review of OCNMS Implementaton of 2011 Management Plan (note: Work dependent upon the OCNMS capstone project proposal being accepted by UW School of Marine and Environmental Affairs graduate students)	OPS	Initial meeting with students Spring 2017, work begins Fall 2017, completed Spring 2018	UW School of Marine and Environmental Affairs graduate students conduct a review of OCNMS implementation of each section of OCNMS 2011 Management Plan as their Capstone Study	OCNMS presents summaries of 2008-2011 Management Plan Review process; annual implementation reports; performance measure results.	A volunteer AC member with subject matter expertise or interest in each of the 5 priority topics will be asked to work with an UW SMEA graduate student to evaluate the implementation of the management plan.	An OCNMS Program lead and AC member will work with each graduate student to review a portion of the MP; potential formation of working group(s) or subcommittee(s)	
Small Vessel Incident Response	OPS9	Spring/summer 2017	Better understanding of causes of vessel incidents in the sanctuary, and potential ways to help reduce or mitigate incidents in the future.	OCNMS Staff to share report on vessel incidents from 1994-2016 and to provide additional information from the incident database as appropriate.	Working Group review of vessel incident causes and current agency policies. Consider recommendations on OCNMS actions related to lost vessels.	George Galasso, OCNMS staff lead; formation of Working Group	
Sentinel Site for Ocean Acidification	OCEO3 & CLIM2	Ongoing	Olympic Coast becomes a Sentinel Site for Ocean Acidification	Final report of Ocean Acidification Sentinel Site workshop with recommended, prioritized next steps. Assist in the collaborative process of submitting application FFO for ocean acidification funding with partners.	Continuation of Working Group to help move forward with partners and identify next steps to create an Olympic Coast Sentinel Site for Ocean Acidification.	Kevin Grant, OCNMS staff lead; AC Working Group	

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B. Research, Assessment and Monitoring							
Support for RV Tatoosh vessel replacement	OPS1	Mar-17	Advisory Council reinforces need for urgent replacement of OCNMS research/monitoring vessel	OCNMS provides update to council on RV Tatoosh status and follow up since 2013 council recommendation letter	Recommendation letter from council to Sanctuary Superintendent to forward concerns to ONMS and NOAA offices	Subcommittee; AC Coordinator	
C. Ocean Literacy							
OCNMS Website	VISIT3	Spring 2017	OCNMS website updated to meet new ONMS website standards and more effectively reach the public audience and its users	OCNMS to share ONMS website standards to be used for updating OCNMS website	SAC members can participate in a webinar showcasing website changes that meet ONMS standards and comment on ease of locating key documents; Advisory Council members test draft OCNMS website pages and comment on how user-friendly it is.	Jacqueline Laverdure- OCNMS staff lead; possible formation of Subcommittee	
OCNMS Brochure	VISIT3	Spring/summer 2017	OCNMS general information brochure updated and meets ONMS "Best Practices"	OCNMS to share current brochure and present on proposed changes using ONMS Best Practice standards to produce an updated informational brochure. Presentation to be given at an advisory council meeting.	Council members provide feedback after presentation of proposed OCNMS updated brochure	Jacqueline Laverdure- OCNMS staff lead	

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ONMS Travel and Tourism Strategy	COM1	TBD	Awareness of National Travel and Tourism strategy and ways OCNMS can participate and engagement in 2017 Get Into Your Sanctuary Day; AC informed about national or regional issues and initiatives; Awareness of and implications of WA State tourism legislation and funding (or lack there of)	Intentional regional marketing efforts to increase visitor attendance in late winter and early fall seasons. Potential strategic connection with Olympic Peninsula Culinary Loop regarding culinary tourism and ongoing voluntourism opportunities, e.g. WA CoastSavers	TBD	OCNMS Staff, TBD	

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D. Natural Resource Conservation							
None at this time							
E. Cultural, Historical and Socioeconomic Significance							
None at this time							
Topics of Interest		How/When Topic Addressed					
OCNMS Data Management							
Science Needs Documents							
IPC Habitat Framework							
Marine Mammal Ship Strikes							
Acoustics							
Port Angeles Joint Marine Campus facility							
EPA General Permit (NPDES)							
Maritime Heritage Resource Management Plan							
Ecosystem Indicators for OCNMS							
Past Topics to track as needed/desired							
Marine debris and Japan tsunami debris response							
Essential Fish Habitat (EFH)							
Lake Ozette Sockeye recovery (LOSR) planning							
Outreach and Compliance for Area To Be Avoided (ATBA) and Cruise Ship Discharge							
Overflight Regulations							
Southern Resident Killer Whales							
Coastal Marine Spatial Planning							
Coastal Fisheries							
Oil Spill Risks & Vessel Traffic							
Climate Change							
Harmful Algal Blooms (HABs)/ORHAB							
Quinault Canyon							
Pacific Northwest B-WET							
US Navy Testing and Training							